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§ 160.135-19 Operating instructions and information for the ship's training manual.

- (a) Each lifeboat must have instructions and information for the ship's training manual that use the symbols from IMO Res. A.760(18) (incorporated by reference, see §160.135–5 of this subpart) to describe the location and operation of the lifeboat.
- (b) The instructions and information required by paragraph (a) of this section may be combined with similar material for survival craft and rescue boats, and their launching systems.
- (c) The lifeboat manufacturer must make the instructions and information required by paragraph (a) of this section available—
- (1) In English to purchasers of a lifeboat approved by the Coast Guard; and
- (2) In the form of an instruction placard providing simple procedures and illustrations for operation of the lifeboat. The placard must be not greater than 36 cm (14 in) by 51 cm (20 in), and must be made of durable material and suitable for display near installations of lifeboats on vessels.

§ 160.135-21 Operation and maintenance instructions.

- (a) Each lifeboat must have operation and maintenance instructions that— $\,$
- (1) Follow the general format and content specified in MSC.1 Circ. 1205 (incorporated by reference, see \$160.135-5 of this subpart); and
- (2) Include a checklist for use in monthly, external visual inspections of the lifeboat.
- (b) The lifeboat manufacturer must make the manual required by paragraph (a) of this section available in English to purchasers of a lifeboat approved by the Coast Guard.
- (c) The operation and maintenance instructions required by paragraph (a) of this section may be combined with similar material for survival craft and rescue boats, and their launching systems.

§ 160.135-23 Procedure for approval of design, material, or construction change.

(a) Each change in design, material, or construction from the plans approved under 46 CFR 159.005-13 and

- §160.135–13(h) of this subpart must be approved by the Commandant before being used in any production lifeboat. The manufacturer must submit any such change following the procedures in §160.135–9 of this subpart, but documentation on items that are unchanged from the plans approved under 46 CFR 159.005–13 and §160.135–13(h) of this subpart need not be resubmitted.
- (b) Unless determined by the Commandant to be unnecessary, a prototype lifeboat with each change described in paragraph (a) of this section must be made and tested according to the procedures for new approvals in §§ 160.135–9 through 160.135–13 of this subpart.
- (c) Determinations of equivalence of design, construction, and materials will be made by the Commandant only.

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Source: CGD 85–205, 62 FR 25547, May 9, 1997, unless otherwise noted.

§ 160.151-1 Scope.

This subpart prescribes standards, tests, and procedures for approval by the Coast Guard of inflatable liferafts. This subpart does not apply to any inflatable liferaft approved by the Commandant before November 10, 2011, so long as the liferaft satisfies the annual servicing requirements set forth in 46 CFR 160.151–57.

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§ 160.151-3 Definitions.

In this subpart, the term:

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Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection (OCMI) means an officer of the Coast